



SPRING 2023 NEWSLETTER

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Garage Sale

Village Garage Sales

May 18, 19 & 20th

If you'll be having a garage sale and would like to be included on the map, please contact Adam Letts at 989-383-0015.

Village Clean Up Day Scheduled for May 6, 2023

Please see the Granger flyer for more information.

Pewamo Classic Car Show Scheduled for June 8th!

Portland Cruisers plan to be in town on June 8th!

For more information or to enter your car, please contact Mark Klein at 517-230-1138.

Thank you to everyone who
makes this event
possible!



2023 Street , Storm Drain and Water Projects

Enclosed in this newsletter is some important information regarding some big projects that will be happening in the Village this summer/fall. We are very grateful for our DPW, Council and Project Engineers for the extensive work that has gone into this. These projects are high priorities. We understand there will be some inconvenience, but please know that

Village Lagoons

Pewamo's lagoons were installed in 1980 as a necessary part of our sewer system. Mike Scollon, DPW Supervisor, manages our lagoons to meet all State of Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) requirements.

Sludge build up is a natural bi-product in lagoons. After forty years, our lagoons require removal of this sludge. Historically, sludge removal involves land application. It is a lengthy process and extremely costly, and something we've been budgeting for.

Mike Scollon has been researching this extensively. His research resulted in a different process for sludge removal which is highly effective and EGLE approved. This will result in substantial savings.

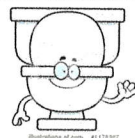
Council would like to thank Mike for his ongoing efforts!

Water/Sewer Rates

Pewamo was the recipient of a State of Michigan grant, which funded an extensive study of our water system and the rates necessary to fund it.

Based on the recommendations of the study, an increase of 4.9% to Water Ready to Serve and Water Usage Rates will be implemented effective 4/1/23.

There will NOT be an increase to Sewer rates at this time, due to recent cost saving measures taken by DPW and Council.



Protect Your Sewer System

DO NOT FLUSH "FLUSHABLE" WIPES

Despite the "flushable" labels, **these products should never be flushed because they will clog your toilet and the sewer system.** The products do not break-down and disperse in the sewer system which causes a risk of clogging your plumbing or causing damage to sewer infrastructure.





Water Hydrant Flushing

Flushing of hydrants will take place the last Wednesday & Thursday of each month beginning in April through November, weather permitting.

Hydrant flushing may result in low pressure and rusty water. You may wish to avoid doing laundry on these days.

Thank you Bob Simon!

We'd like to give a shout out to Bob Simon who takes the time to shovel sidewalks in much of the downtown business area every winter!

Pewamo is special because of the many people who go out of their way to make it a great place to live!



Contamination Issues at Clinton County Recycling

Clinton County Department of Waste Management would like to remind residents to take the time to properly sort their recyclables into the proper containers at the Rural Recycling Drop Off Sites. Please be sure to follow the rules to avoid losing this recycling opportunity!

RECYCLING DROP OFF REMINDERS



✓ Dos & Don'ts ✗

✓ Do sort recyclables into proper containers.

✗ Don't leave trash behind.

✓ Do keep materials loose (not bagged)

✗ Don't recycle plastic bags of any kind.

✓ Do keep materials empty, clean and dry.

✗ Don't recycle materials saturated with food.

State of Michigan Department of Natural Resources

SPARK GRANT OPPORTUNITY

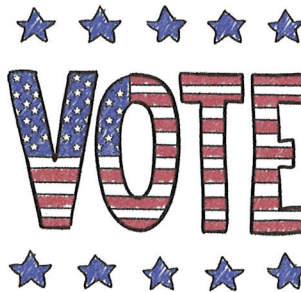
The Village has hired a landscape architect to assess and design improvements to Blossom Time Park and to assist us in applying for a State of Michigan SPARK Grant.

This grant opportunity is possible because of the Building Michigan Together Plan, of March 2022, which included a historic infusion of federal funding in our state and local parks.

Pewamo's parks are used and enjoyed by countless from our surrounding area, and we really like that! Unfortunately, though, it is funded by a very small population of Village residents.

It is only through the assistance of grant funds that we are able to make extensive improvements.

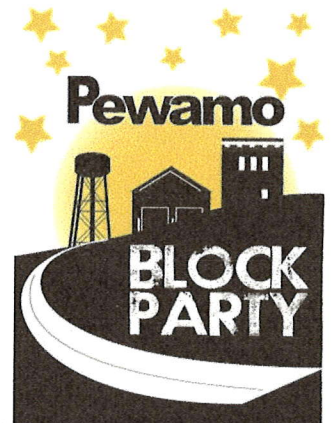
Recreation helps build healthy people, families, communities and businesses! We're hopeful our application will result in positive change in Blossom Time Park.



**Voting for the P-W
Community Schools
bond referendum
will take place in the
Pewamo Community
Center on
Tuesday, May 2, 2023**

**Mark your calendars
for
September 9, 2023**

**Join us in Celebrating
Pewamo Block Party
&
P-W Elementary
Fall Fest**



Portland Ambulance Emergency Care Plan

Included in this newsletter is an important Membership Application/Agreement Form, which may limit out-of-pocket expenses for the portion of the ambulance bill not covered by insurance. This is for medically necessary ambulance transportation provided by Portland Area Ambulance for the period of July 1, 2023 thru June 30, 2024.

Questions should be directed to the Ambulance Director at 517-647-2934, and payment sent to Portland. Please see the form for more complete information.



Village of
Pewamo



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130 E Main St
Pewamo, MI 48873

March 30, 2023

RE: 2023 Roadway & Water Main Improvements

Dear Resident of Pewamo:

This is a courtesy letter to inform you of upcoming construction work that will be happening in Pewamo. The Village of Pewamo has been awarded a Category B Grant for villages and small cities from the MDOT Office of Economic Development for various planned infrastructure improvements. The professional staff of Fleis & VandenBrink (F&V) has provided engineering consulting services on these improvements and construction is anticipated to begin during the summer/fall of 2023.

Listed below are the project improvement areas along with a map highlighting the impacted locations.

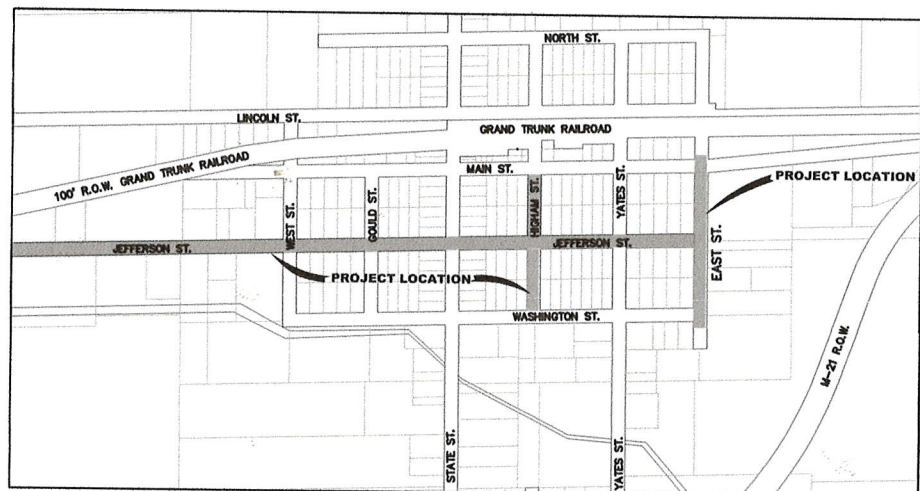
- **East St.** – Roadway resurfacing and reconstruction from Main St. to Washington St. along with 800 ft of watermain replacement and storm sewer upgrades
- **Jefferson St.** – Roadway chip and seal from Spalding Rd to East St.
- **Higham St.** – Roadway chip and seal from Main St. to Washington St. along with 400 ft of storm sewer upgrades

If you are located in an area of water main replacement, you will be informed in the future of any temporary disruption to your water service when the switch is made from the old water main to the new water main.

Should you have further questions, please contact the village office by phone or email at 989-593-2553, clerk@pewamo.gov. Thank you for your understanding and patience as we provide these much-needed upgrades to our village infrastructure systems.

Sincerely,

Mike Scollon
DPW Supervisor



CLEANUP GUIDELINES



1

MATERIAL PREPARATION

- All loose material must be in containers. No shoveling of pickup beds will be allowed.
- Material must be of appropriate size to fit inside the hopper of a garbage truck.
- All liquids must be removed before disposal.
- All containers (pails, drums, etc.) must be unsealed and open for inspection.

2

LOADING/UNLOADING

- All material must be unloaded by residents with assistance from Granger associates, following accepted safety guidelines.
- All material must be unloaded by hand.
- No commercial or dumping trailers are allowed.
- No shoveling of materials out of truck beds will be allowed.

3

ACCEPTED

- Furniture
- Appliances (non-Freon-containing or certified that Freon was properly removed)
- Scrap metal
- Lumber and other long materials (must be 4 ft. or shorter)
- Small amounts of remodeling waste
- Carpet
- Motorized equipment lawn equipment (gasoline, oil and any other liquids must be removed)
- Discarded general household items (clothes, toys, bicycles, etc.)
- Paint (latex only, must be solidified)

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NOT ACCEPTED

- Yard waste
- Medical waste
- Liquids of any kind
- Oil-based paint, stain, varnish
- Appliances containing Freon
- Concrete or other masonry materials
- Dirt or rocks
- Tires
- Lead acid automotive batteries
- Hazardous materials
- Any container with a hazardous waste label
- Fluorescent light fixtures
- Flammable or explosive material
- Propane tanks, unless valve is removed
- Construction, demolition or roofing material
- Asbestos
- Ignitable, corrosive, reactive or toxic materials
- Commercial waste
- Animal carcasses

Village of Pewamo

Date: Saturday, May 6th

Time: 8:00 to Noon

Where: Behind the
Oakwood Lounge

**DPW will be available to
supervise and assist.**

**THIS IS FOR VILLAGE OF
PEWAMO
RESIDENTS ONLY!**

